Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—It is at present for one year.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Who meets the P. C. R. expenses?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The P. C. R. expense is to be met by the owner.

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—May I know whether the Government have any idea of purchasing the sites outright?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Not at present.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—What is the rate fixed per member?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Re. 1 per day and if he wishes to be a garreteer only 8 annas a day.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—How many are living there at present?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—We have not received any requisition from any of the members. If any body would like, I can make all arrangements there.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.—Is there messing arrangement there?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—No. The members will have to make their own arrangements.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—Are there sufficient number of kitchens?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—There are two kitchens—one can be used for the vegetarian section and the other for the non-vegetarian section.

Hydro-electric Scheme.

23. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to place on the table copies of the reports of experts who investigated Poringalkuttu Water-falls in connection with the Hydro-electric Scheme and to state what steps have been taken by Government in the matter; the total amount already spent in connection with this scheme?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Government do not think that it would be in the public interest to place the reports on the table at this stage.

The scheme was investigated very recently by Messrs: Rendel Palmer & Tritton, Consulting Engineers. Their report has been received and is under consideration.

The total amount spent on the scheme since the year 1105 is Rs. 82,527—3—4. It is a laborious task to collect details of expenditure incurred before 1105.

Admitting Prisoner—Central Jail.

24. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

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(1) whether a prisoner has been admitted to the Central Jail, Trichur, recently on a Sunday under the orders of the Inspector-General of Prisons ;

(2) if so, who was the officer who issued the order and why was the Jail rules violated in this case ;

(3) whether the Superintendent of Jail refused admission when he was first taken to jail ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(1) A prisoner was transferred to the Central Jail from the Trichur Sub-jail.

(2) The present Inspector-General of Prisons. There was no violation of the Jail rules.

(3) The Superintendent refused admission at first.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—(3). What was the ground under which he refused admission?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Being a Sunday he thought it may not be correct.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Is he right in thinking so under the rules?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—He was not right.

Allowance—widow and children of the late Mr. T. P. Anantanarayana Ayyar.

25. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state whether any allowance was given to the widow and children of the late Mr. Anantanarayana Ayyar; Inspector of Schools;

2. if so, how much ;

3. whether there are other applicants on such claims;

4. if so, who are they and the action taken on each application ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No. A scheme for the grant of pension to the widows of officers dying in harness is under consideration.

2. The question does not arise.

3 and 4. Yes. A correct list of such applicants as are eligible for the pension under the proposed scheme is being prepared.

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